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THINKING CONCERNING UPCOMING TASKS IN ALLIED AND EC NINE

PREPARATIONS FOR CSCE COMMITTEE PHASE. END SUMMARY.

- 1. FONOFF REP CSCE DEPARTMENT CHIEF, VON GROLL, TOLD EMBOFF JULY 10 THAT MAJOR IMMEDIATE TASK FOR NATO WAS DRAFTING OF RESOLUTIONS ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION TOPICS FOR CSCE COMMITTEE PHASE. GROLL SAID HE THOUGHT THIS "TOO BIG A TASK" FOR EC NINE. HE HOPED NATO COULD DEVELOP DRAFT RESOLUTIONS BY THE END OF AUGUST SO THAT EC NINE CSCE AD HOC GROUP WOULD CONSIDER THEM AT THAT TIME.
- 2. ON THIRD BASKET, GROLL RECALLED THAT THE TWENTY-THREE PAPERS TABLED IN NATO BY EC NINE REPS BEFORE CSCE MINISTERIAL PURPOSELY TOOK FORM OF "NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS." GROLL SAID HE HOPED NON-EC MEMBER STATES IN NATO, PARTICULARLY THE US, WOULD PROVIDE EARLY COMMENTS ON THESE "NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS", AS THIS WOULD MAKE IT EASIER FOR SPONSORS TO ACCEPT CHANGES.
- 3. GROLL SAID EC NINE CSCE SUB-GROUP MEETING JULY 17-18 IN COPENHAGEN WOULD FOCUS ON PRINCIPLES AND WOULD CONSIDER FRENCH AND SOVIET DRAFTS. IT IS THE GERMAN HOPE THAT, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING JULY 17-18 MEETING, THE NINE COULD INTRODUCE IN NATO EITHER A COMMON DRAFT OR FRENCH DRAFT FOR DETAILED ALLIED CONSIDERATION.
- 4. GROLL SAID THE ALLIES ALSO HAVE TO CONSIDER AT AN EARLY POINT HOW THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE WILL FUNCTION; FOR EXAMPLE, HOW MANY SUBCOMMITTEES, AND HOW OFTEN WILL THEY MEET. GROLL SAID THESE QUESTIONS WILL DEPEND TO SOME EXTENT ON THE TECHNICAL CAPABILITIES OF THE SWISS; GROLL IS VISITING GENEVA JULY 11 TO EXAMINE THESE QUESTIONS.
- 5. GROLL TOLD EMBOFF HE WAS PROPOSING TO HIS SUPERIORS THAT THE MEDITERRANEAN PARTICIPATION PROBLEM BE RESOLVED IN THE FOLLOWING WAY. SUBJECT TO TEST OF RELEVANCE WITH AGENDA, ANY CSCE MEMBER STATE COULD INTRODUCE WRITTEN CONTRIBUTION OF CSCE NON-MEMBER STATE IN CSCE COMMITTEE, BUT NON-MEMBER STATES COULD ONLY INTRODUCE CONTRIBUCONFIDENTIAL

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TIONS THROUGH A MEMBER STATE. GROLL SAID HE THOUGHT THE FIFTEEN ALLIES SHOULD SUGGEST THIS APPROACH TO ALL THE OTHER CSCE MEMBER STATES BY NOTES VERBALE IN ORDER FINALLY TO RESOLVE THIS UNDULY TIME CONSUMING PROBLEM.

6. GROLL SAID JULY 5-6 POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEETING AT HELSINKI BRIEFLY CONSIDERED FUTURE OF EC NINE-CSCE CONSULTATIONS DURING GENEVA COMMITTEE PHASE. THE FRENCH

IMPLIED THAT PROGRESS AT MPT MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR EC MEMBER STATES TO FOLLOW SOMEWHAT MORE INDEPENDENT COURSE AT GENEVA. DAVIGNON STRONGLY REBUTTED THIS SUGGESTION SAYING THAT THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS SHOULD INSTRUCT THEIR CSCE SUBCOMMITTEE TO CONTINUE CLOSE CONSULTATIONS DURING THE GENEVA PHASE. THE GERMANS ARGUED THAT NO NEW INSTRUCTIONS WERE NECESSARY, GIVEN THE POSITION TAKEN BY EC NINE MINISTERS JUNE 5 AT LUXEMBOURG. GROLL SAID THE GERMANS WILL SIMPLY PRESS THE FRENCH TO CONTINUE CSCE TO CONSULTATIONS AS BEFORE.

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